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Colgate-Palmolive Contributes To Solution Of Affordable Housing Problem

Model Partnership Role Could Have Ripple Effect Throughout Nation

The day was bitter cold, with a brisk wind driving the windchill factor to sub-zero digits as the small group stood with shovels in hand piercing the frozen ground. The biting weather itself served to underscore the dire housing needs which had brought community and Jersey City officials together with their corporate good neighbor, Colgate-Palmolive, and representatives of the State of New Jersey for the occasion.

Ground was being broken not only for 83 affordable townhouse units to be built in the Ocean-Bayview and downtown neighborhoods of Jersey City, but for a new partnership-styled working arrangement which Colgate and New Community hope will be "the beginning of something much, much larger." "Our approach is unique because we've gone beyond making a simple contribution to the city's affordable housing linkage fund (referring to the Colgate-Palmolive proposed waterfront development of which this is part)," said Reuben Mark, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of Colgate-Palmolive. "By sponsoring this project, we will help to provide affordable

housing several years before our market-rate housing is available." Colgate plans to undertake additional affordable housing efforts in connection with future waterfront commercial building.

Monsignor William J. Linder, one of the founders of New Community, agreed that the partnership method was a "great opportunity to really bring together a number of different segments, that is, The City of Jersey City, The State of New Jersey, Colgate and New Community, with a lot of background in producing housing." Monsignor Linder addressed the crisis for housing saying, "We've got to create new ways of doing it, and I think this is a new way of doing it. Colgate's involvement will produce the money right up front immediately instead of going into some escrow account to figure out what we're going to do later on," he explained.

"We're really delighted to do this," said CEO Mark, pointing out that as a consumer products company they were very competitive and always have to talk about what they are doing better than others. Staying in Jersey City to coordinate the develop-



Groundbreaking participants included Colgate-Palmolive President and CEO Reuben Mark, NJHMFA Executive Director James Logue III, Community Affairs Commissioner Anthony Villane and Msgr. William Linder.

ment of Colgate's land and contributing money which would produce much needed affordable housing within one year, rather than three or four years, is a responsible corporate good neighbor decision.

Mark said Colgate had been a fixture in Jersey City since 1847; had participated in community life. "And

my feeling is just because we made a decision on economic grounds that we can no longer operate because it is so inefficient, that doesn't mean we should exit the community. We have, I think, a continuing responsibility to be here and do things like this and we took a decision that we were going to

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Adult Medical Day Care Makes "Cents"

Viable Alternative To A Nursing Home

Living...Is that defined by a pulse and respirations, or a brain that still has the ability to command the frame within which it resides? Or is it much more than that?

To many of the elderly in our society, sitting home all day long, each day, with no one to talk to or no one who really cares about them is not living; these elderly simply sit and wait to die.

Sometimes however, something

wonderful happens to change that pattern; they join an adult medical day care program. Gloria McMillian, Director of Adult Medical Day Care at the New Community Extended Care Facility, likens these cases to miracles, and they certainly seem to come close.

Some people can barely walk when they arrive and some seem to have a hollow feel to them like nothing is left

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Pathmark Lot Empties



NCC's Assistant Director of Development Larry Goldston surveys the progress made on the land clearance for our long awaited Pathmark Center. Next step...construction! (See other photos page 6)

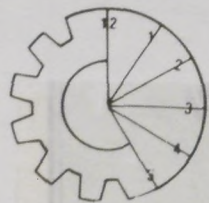
February Is Black History Month

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and we will never respect ourselves
till we have the means to live respectably.

The Life and Times of Frederick Douglass



Quality care and personal attention are prime ingredients of NCC's Medical Day Care Program.



NCC Employment Center

A Time To Reflect

**109
Placements
For January**

Close to 1,500* people were placed in jobs during 1988, after taking advantage of the no-fee employment counseling and placement services provided by New Community Corporation Employment Center. Our staff of six employment counselors was determined to surpass the 1,067 job placements accomplished in 1987, and set a goal of 1,200 placements for 1988. So, we even impressed ourselves.

One critical ingredient in our efforts to help local people find jobs is the willingness of local employers to hire community residents. We are grateful for the many positive responses we have had from companies over the year and especially thankful for the employers who have hired so many of our applicants.

Employers hiring more than ten of the people we referred for jobs in 1988 included Action Park, Armark Distributors, BAE Automotive Systems, Blue Cross/Blue Shield of NJ, Chelsea Catering Co., Clinton Square Auto Parts, Consumers Distributors, Cracked Ice, Don's Restaurant, Edison Parking Corp., Elrob Manufacturing, Gericare Center, Glopak Corporation, Goody Products, Hamilton Laundry, Hartz Mountain Corporation, Hayward Industries, Holiday Inn, Macy's, Maid-A-Day, Nationwide Security, Newark Slip Company, Occupational Center of Essex County, Personality Handkerchief, Rose Art Industries, and Tabs Associates. We appreciate their commitment to Newark's people and the good use they have made of our program.

The Employment Center's primary task is to help local people find jobs. This may sound easy given the favorable economic conditions in the state — the low rate of suburban unemployment and corresponding hearty supply of available job openings — but the fact remains that thousands of people in Newark want to work but are not able to find employment on their own.

Without adequate job-hunting skills or an "old boy network" to draw on, hundreds of Newark's unemployed people have found their way to our offices. Many of the 2,600-plus people we counseled this year were temporarily down on their luck, with some beginning to succumb to the despair that sets in with even a short period of unemployment. Other people that we helped were coping with lengthy periods of unwanted joblessness, with insufficient work skills, with homelessness. The problems were many and the solutions not always apparent.

One of the best things we were able to offer was hope. Hope that a better day was coming. Hope that some things do change. Hope that with patience and determination each person is equipped with the power to change their life.

We were able to teach. We taught people how to market themselves, how to look, what to wear, what to say — how to fish.

We made connections. We spoke on behalf of our applicants and arranged more than 2,000 job interviews — chances for employment.

We served as a resource and a tool for the employers and people of Newark. As we look back over the year, we are satisfied to know that we played a role in the betterment and empowerment of our community and are resolved to continue these good works.

L. Michelle Odom

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

New Community Corporation Employment Center is a non-profit, no-fee employment service for the people and employers of the metropolitan area. If you'd like to reduce your advertising expense and interviewing time, let us know of your job openings. If you need help finding a job — or a better job — just call for an appointment. Employers and job seekers may reach us at (201) 643-3828.

Leadership Development Institute Continues Its Work

The first of what is hoped to be a series — at least a mini-series of monthly sessions — for graduates of the NC Network's Leadership Development Institute was held in January.

Sr. Clare Elton described Babyland's new Parent and Child Programs. One offers daycare for

is probably the first of its kind to be offered outside a hospital setting.

After recruiting several volunteers for her programs from participants, Sr. Clare left and Sr. Catherine Moran of NC Personnel Development and Sr. Dolores Russo, Planning and Development Director of St. Rose



Seated (left to right): Ernestine Levell, Gloria Ferrell, Sr. Clare Elton, Nettie Smith and standing (left to right): Sr. Helene Truitt, Sylvia Johnston, Karen Greene and Sr. Mary Ellen Bennett.

children while their teenage mothers go to school. After school the mothers come to Babyland for a wide variety of personal growth programs geared to their needs. At present, 25 mothers and babies and 15 pregnant young women are participating in this program.

The other program scheduled to open in February will provide day care for babies with HIV virus, as well as an impressive array of related services. This program which will run in conjunction with United Hospitals

Parish spent the rest of our time together discussing basic leadership, and coping skills with the group.

Participation was active and enthusiastic. These people are truly the ones to watch; they are moving!

A second session for Leadership Development Institute Graduates will be held in February. Meanwhile, we are recruiting participants for the Network's third Leadership Development Institute. If you or someone you know would like to be considered, call Sister Mary Ellen at 623-6114.

Management Workshop Sharpens Skills



Maintenance Supervisor Bob West, Youth Development Coordinator Iladio Negron, Human Services Director Gwendy Long and Personnel Director Cecilia Faulks enjoy a lighter moment at a recent managerial workshop offered to improve the services throughout New Community's Network.

CALL FOR HELP

Is your husband or boyfriend abusing you? You are not alone — it happens a lot. There's a number you can call 24 hours a day where people are available to help you explore your feelings and plans. All calls are kept confidential.

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If you would like to make a memorial gift or donation to New Community it would be most welcome.

People who would like to give to New Community but don't wish to give up the earning power at the present time can assign a contribution now, but defer payment until sometime in the future.

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Affordable Housing Gets Boost From Colgate...

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coordinate the development of that land rather than simply selling it and leaving." Such a decision was not unique to Jersey City, Mark explained, but was consistent with their policy world wide; a policy reflecting responsibility to the host city or country as "guests of the community."

The Colgate Jersey City Redevelopment Project, with which the present affordable housing plan is linked, will upon completion generate 25,000 new jobs and \$45 million annually in new state/local tax revenues.

Mark is no stranger to Jersey City, having been born there himself. His father was also born in Jersey City 85 years ago at 591 Grant Street (a vacant lot today) and was present at the



Mr. Edward Mark (seated) enjoys the festive groundbreaking luncheon with his son, Colgate's President and CEO Reuben Mark.

luncheon to share the nostalgic moment.

State Community Affairs Commissioner Anthony Villane was enthusiastic about the private-public partnership. "We've seen government try to do it and they couldn't do it alone; the private sector try to do it — they can't afford it." With the involvement and cooperation of local entities Villane felt "we're going to end up with better housing, not high rise housing where people can't raise families, but good safe housing."

Jersey City Council President Glen Cunningham said he had "seen seeds of progress in this community. When we stood on the corner of Ocean and Van Nostrand Avenue we saw how desperate the need for change and progress and housing is in this com-

munity." He called it an "important first step" and hoped that Colgate's involvement would "help more than just a trickle down."

That sentiment was repeated by Councilwoman Frances Thompson who said there was "lots of open space" and that the housing stock



Breaking ground for the joint housing project are: Msgr. William Linder, William O'Dea, Tom Hart, Jaime Vasquez, Glen Cunningham, Joseph Cardwell, Reuben Mark and Eddie Daniels.

was over 100 years old in the community, with the exception of housing built in the last 10 years. She spoke of the involvement of the people in the community who banded together requesting affordable housing. "As a result of their ability and skills," said Thompson, "we've been able to get different projects put together."

Councilman Jaime Vasquez read a letter from Jersey City Mayor Anthony Cucci, absent due to illness, which commended Colgate and affirmed his "continued commitment to fulfill the dire need for affordable housing." Cucci said the groundbreaking "justifies my policy decision to accept Colgate's contribution to affordable housing off-site so that families who qualify can be provided with needed housing 1 year from now rather than 4 years from this time."

Westside Councilman Bill O'Dae called the partnership "an outstanding and innovative project," because it would produce housing quickly in an affordable manner, which Jersey City needs at this time.

Chairperson of the Jersey City Neighborhood Council Association, Eddie Daniels, also liked the idea of an up front program "without all the waiting."

Irvin Haynes, liaison person between The State of New Jersey, Jersey City and the community group was pleased too. "Initially the big concern of the community was to take care of the 106 vacant lots we had in the area," he related. After petitioning the state for some housing funds, they

met with Colgate and New Community to dialogue and "we started a love affair with NCC, Colgate and The Neighborhood Council Association," he finished enthusiastically.

Claude Shostal, Colgate-Palmolive's Real Estate Project Director stressed the income affordability levels of the housing which would meet the needs. "Since Jersey City income levels are so low to begin with that's a real challenge," he pointed out. "I think we can make units affordable to people so that selling prices would be \$8,000 to \$30,000 for family low-scale units." The 83 units would contain 3 bedrooms.

The luncheon for the groundbreaking was held at nearby Sacred Heart School. Father Kenneth R. Letoile, O.P., pastor of Sacred Heart parish which would benefit from some of the townhouses, hoped for a "ripple effect" from the project. "These units by themselves — if it ends there — won't do the job. But if it starts a chain reaction, with corporations sponsoring housing, it could be very, very helpful," he said hopefully.

All we need now are more corporate good neighbors like Colgate.



The groundbreaking luncheon included two special touches — an extremely tasty rendition of the proposed housing model in cake form and NCC/Colgate/Jersey City Housing tee shirts which allowed all to wear their "housing" hearts on their sleeves.



Jersey City Neighborhood Associates' June Jones, Colgate-Palmolive President and CEO Reuben Mark and Mr. Irvin Haynes celebrate their joint efforts for affordable housing at the groundbreaking luncheon.

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Social Security News

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Every person who received or repaid any Social Security benefits during 1988 should have received a Social Security Benefit Statement, Form SSA-1099, during January 1989, a Social Security manager said recently.

The form shows the amount of Social Security benefits the person received as well as the amount of benefits they repaid during 1988. The form should be used just as any other form 1099 received from a financial institution is used when the person completes his or her Federal Income Tax return for 1988, the manager said.

People who have substantial other income may have to include up to half of their Social Security benefits in their taxable income.

Included with the benefit statement is IRS Notice 703. This is a worksheet that people can fill out to see if any of their Social Security benefits may be subject to Federal income tax.

A free publication — Publication 915 — contains a detailed explanation of the entries on the benefit statement and explains about taxability of benefits. A free copy is available at any Internal Revenue Service office.

The address and telephone number of the nearest Social Security office can be found in the telephone directory.

Important To Report Address Changes

It is important for people getting Social Security benefits to inform Social Security of any change of address a Social Security manager said recently. This is important even if the person has arranged for direct deposit of his or her checks in a financial institution.

Occasionally, we have to contact people even if they have arranged for

direct deposit. If we cannot locate the person, we may have to stop sending out his or her monthly check.

A change of address can be reported by mail or phone. If it is reported in writing, both the old and new addresses, including ZIP code, should be included, as well as the Social Security claim number and the names of all family members who are receiving mail at the new address.

More information about reporting can be obtained at any Social Security office. The address and telephone number of the nearest Social Security office can be found in the telephone directory.

Direct Deposit

Social Security beneficiaries can now have their checks sent directly to their bank or credit union account without making a trip to their financial institution, said Ms. Catherine G. Christoff, Social Security manager in Newark.

New Treasury Department rules allow Social Security to enroll beneficiaries in the direct deposit program by telephone.

Anyone wishing to direct deposit of their Social Security or SSI check can simply call Social Security at 1-800-234-5772, Ms. Christoff stated.

They will be asked to furnish their Social Security claim number and their bank checking or savings account number.

People planning to apply for social security benefits can also do so by phone, and should plan to furnish their bank account number along with the other necessary documents. For retirement benefits, that includes a birth record and evidence of earnings for the previous year.

Questions about direct deposit of Social Security benefits or telephone claims applications can be answered at the Newark Social Security office located at 970 Broad Street.

New Home Health Unit Director In Place

With the advent of a newly approved Home Health Care Unit here at New Community, Joseph M. Picardi has joined NCC as its director.

Mr. Picardi is a seasoned and ac-

sionally staffed entity from a loosely structured beginning will be of great help. As a Foreign missionary he handled administrative and nursing responsibilities working independent-



Sr. Ann Tumulty, Public Health Nurse Supervisor and Mr. Joseph Picardi, Executive Director of Home Health Care Service work from their unit located at NCC's Social Service Offices.

complished Administrator with an extensive background in health care delivery and health education and an M.S. in Nursing from Pace University/New York Medical College.

His experience as Director and Supervisor of a sixty bed combined Skilled Nursing/Health Related Facility which he honed into a profes-

ly as a Family Nurse Practitioner in rural Bolivia.

His fluency in written and spoken Spanish will certainly be a bridge with our Spanish speaking community, many of whom need Home Health Care and someone to understand their special concerns.

Welcome!

Home Health Aides Program One Year Old



As our first year draws to a close, twenty (20) Home Health Aides have completed training and are caring for more than one hundred (100) patients. Another Home Health Training Program will be held in February, 1989. Anyone interested in this course, please contact:

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Adult Medical Day Care...The Sensible Alternative

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to live for; but for Gloria the challenge lies in filling that void with a life that is once again worth living.

She talked animatedly of one woman who arrived with her walker, barely able to put one foot after another; she had no reason to bother

hospitalization and decreasing the cost of medical bills.

To qualify for the New Community Medical Day Care Program, a person must be at least 18 years old and either ambulatory or in a wheelchair, with a chronic illness which needs monitoring, such as Parkinson's

Medical Day Care Program costs a maximum of \$38.80 per day, while nursing home costs might be five times that much," said McMillian.

People in the program put their energy into staying well (following diets and remembering to take medication or exercise) to continue to stay here she explained. "To miss time, they think, is bad."

Many times, McMillian finds, they are a different person outside their family, and they enjoy the activities which break through the monotony of the "four walls." Arts and crafts are

the total elderly population require nursing home care, according to McMillian.

At New Community Medical Day Care, Medicaid is accepted. If a person is not covered by Medicaid a sliding fee scale is used.

Transportation is available door to door, by both ambulatory vehicle and a wheelchair vehicle. The initial run begins at 7:30 a.m. Nursing care, meals, crafts and other activities are all available and a medical doctor is on the premises if no regular doctor



Being with friends is important at every stage of life.

doing that for a long time and felt a burden to her working family as she had all those lonely hours to sit and think.

Each day Gloria watched her shed layer after layer of her lonely shell until one day...forgetting herself...she left her walker behind as she went from chair to table to be with her new found friends, and never looked back. "That's what I'm here for," said Ms. McMillian, referring to her direct impact on the quality of care received.

The benefits of Adult Medical Care are many. There is a decrease in the need for hospitalization for one. There is also a decrease in length of illness, and the seriousness of that illness. Take a diabetic person for example; with diet and medication monitoring at the Medical Day Care Facility the person's diabetic condition remains stable, thus eliminating need for

disease, Alzheimer's disease, a stroke or diabetes, etc. A doctor's approval is necessary.

An assessment is done by a nurse and a social worker and a relationship begun. Sometime hypertension training is the need, sometimes bereavement therapy. Each case is treated individually by an interdisciplinary team approach. The medical day care team works in conjunction with social workers and agencies involved.

For example, if the client has trouble preparing him or herself at home to go to day care, a Homemaker/Home Health Aide will arrive early in the morning to get him/her ready. This eliminates costly nursing home care paid for by tax dollars, replacing it will less costly out-patient programs. It also allows the elderly to remain in a familiar family setting longer. The Adult



The recreation program at the New Community Medical Day Care provides stimulation for the mind as well as activity to keep fingers nimble.

only part of the program. The clients also prepare things for bake sales to raise money for events such as the Mt. Fuji Restaurant trip last year, and take pride at continuing to experience new adventures in their lives.

Medical Day Care has cut down the cost of hospitalization and nursing home care. Only approximately 1% of

is listed for the client in an emergency.

To apply for the program a doctor's approval is necessary. If a person does not have their own private physician a list of physicians affiliated with New Community's program is available. Call Ms. Gloria McMillian at 624-2020. We would be happy to help.

Martin Luther King Lives On



St. Rose of Lima School students presented a special program honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

New Jersey Commission Of The Blind Provides Free Eye Examinations

On January 10th and 11th, the New Jersey Commission of the Blind provided free thorough eye examinations for clients at Adult Medical Day Care and employees of the Extended Care Facility. Dr. Jablonski, with the assistance of Jacqueline Bennett, R.N., provided a total of forty (40) Medical Day Care clients with care. Individuals who needed prescriptions were given them on site. The few who required additional evaluation and

follow-up were referred to eye specialists.

Ms. Bennett informed the staff that "this is an ongoing free service provided to all residents of Newark, with particular attention given to senior citizens." Individuals who desire further information and would like to schedule an appointment should contact Ms. Bennett at 648-2561.

Gloria J. McMillian
Dir. Medical Day Care



The New Jersey Commission of the Blind recently provided comprehensive eye examinations at the Extended Care Facility.

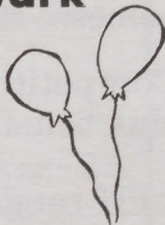
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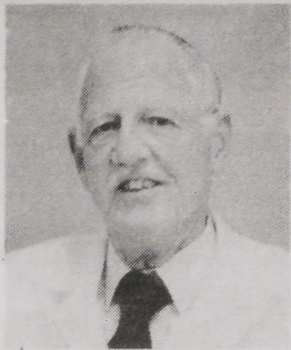
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Reflections:

Life...You Have To Work At It

"Don't Worry, Be Happy" is a current popular calypso tune which repeats these words about twenty times and that's it. The fact that it is played frequently has for sure, made its author happy, but it hasn't done a thing for my anxiety. Maybe I should not be blasé, but I sure hate sugar coating reality. Some years ago during the Vietnam War era, a graduate student wrote to President Kennedy inquiring as to why he was being called up from the Army Reserves while others he knew were not. The student thought that this was unfair. President Kennedy's response — "Life itself is apparently unfair."

Climbing the ladder of life is constantly fraught with anxiety, ten-



Dr. Paul
Kearney

sions, etc. I don't think it was much different in our parents time than it is today. The standard of living has improved but the problems are still abounding. You have to work at it as they did, looking for solutions which never come easy, but you win some and then move on to the next project.

Early on in the practice of medicine I learned one thing. Help others, for in helping others you help yourself. Might I conclude — Do the best you can and you'll come out ahead.

Paul Kearney, M.D., F.A.A.P.
Medical Director
Babyland Nursery, Inc.

Thinking Of Our Children's Future



Members of the Steering Committee of the Greater Newark Youth Orchestra met recently at St. Joseph's Plaza with St. Rose of Lima School Principal Arthur Wilson (standing, second on left) to discuss some exciting future plans.

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Top photo: As progress is made in clearing the Pathmark site, local residents can appreciate how convenient shopping will be to their homes as pictured. Above photo: The site of the shopping center is also closely located to New Community housing developments and UMDNJ as seen in background.

A Fun Evening Is Coming!

APRIL 29, 1989

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Are you looking for a real challenge? Call Joseph Picardi or Sister Ann Tumulty at 733-2128 or 624-2020 to set up an interview.

Fire Away — With Ceramics

Do you have a flair for art or like being creative or do you just want to try something new?

Ceramics is the thing to do. Once you start you will become a "ceramaholic". The possibilities are infinite. The classes are friendly and

There is only one caution: if you are allergic to dust, paint fumes and sprays, there might be some discomfort which would limit the time you work on your article.

Classes are held on Tuesday at NC Manor, 545 Orange Street, Newark,



NCC's Joyce Cook provides instructions in ceramics to Frances Salley at Manor Senior.

interesting. You might choose to make a mug for your morning coffee, a three foot Christmas tree for gift giving or a lamp to adorn an empty night stand.

It is very easy to work with ceramics and can actually be calming to the nerves. The articles are already molded into the shape of the article. This stage is called "greenware" because it is damp clay which has been poured into a mold and taken out to dry. This is the step that is most difficult, so we've eliminated it.

The class members select the items they wish to work on by going to various ceramics shops during one of the designated class times. By doing this it is much more exciting and one can really see how many things there are to make.

from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. and on Thursdays at NC Associates, 180 South Orange Avenue, Newark, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Cost is \$5.00 a month to cover firing pieces and basic items.

Many of our residents have made beautiful pieces. Some use classes as a means to supplement their income by making and selling their wares; or simply using them as gifts for weddings, Christmas, birthdays, etc.

Think about it. If you are interested in joining one of the two classes contact Ms. Joyce Cook at NC Manor, 545 Orange Street (623-6299).

Come join us and let's ***Fire Away.**

*Firing is the process of cooking the items in a kiln (special oven for ceramics) to get from one stage of readiness to another.

Scholarship Fund Profits From Theatre Outing

There is nothing more enjoyable than to be able to relax among friends and share good food and excellent entertainment.

For 41 New Community Senior residents and their families and friends, this is exactly what they did on Monday, January 16th, the observance of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday. Their group went to Neil's New York Dinner Theater in Mountain Lakes N.J. to see "Dream Girls."

This was truly a wonderful experience because there had not been such a large group of participants in a long time.

The theatre was quite a lovely and the hostesses were very attentive. The afternoon started with a family style luncheon consisting of fresh fruit cups, mouth watering oven baked bread and heaping platters of baked chicken, filet of sole, green beans and the best tasting mashed potatoes on the east coast. This was followed by a deliciously delicious ice cream sundae and beverages.

After the group had their fill — none really wanted to stop eating but the body can only hold so much — everyone settled back to enjoy the

show. "Dreamgirls" was a lively performance about three girls who had dreams of success and happiness. It also dealt with coping with changes and overcoming obstacles.

Being Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday, this seemed to be an appropriate outing. I say this because a lot of the attendees came from the NC Douglas building and were able to be with us through the hard work and perseverance of two individuals, Mrs. Helen Vaughn and Mrs. Hattie Watson, who held several fund raisers to help defer the cost of some of the tickets. They did this because they wanted to fulfill a dream for those who wanted to come but might be inhibited by the full price.

It was an overall feeling of togetherness and a wide representation of the NC Senior population, for they were there with wheel chairs, walkers and canes, both men and women. One could see why Dr. King had his dream and how good it feels to be helping a part of it come true.

The proceeds from the trip were donated to the New Community Martin Luther King Scholarship Fund.

Joyce Cook

NCC Black And White King And Queen Ball

Pull out your formal attire and let's get ready for a stately gathering.

There will be a "Black and White Ball" featuring the NCC Older Kings and Queens and it will be an elegant evening of wining and dining and dancing.

Everyone is invited to come out and support this affair. Proceeds will help to sponsor the 3rd Annual Older American King and Queen Pageant which will be held in May, 1989.

The Black and White Ball will be at St. Rose of Lima's School Auditorium on Friday, March 10,

1989 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. There is plenty of free parking.

Tickets are \$3.00 for senior residents of New Community and \$5.00 for all others.

If you wish to purchase tickets or reserve a table of 10, call Ms. Joyce Cook at 623-6299 or send check or money order made payable to: **NCC Seniors Ball** c/o Joyce Cook at NC Manor, 545 Orange Street, Newark 07107.

We look forward to seeing you there at what promises to be a regal Cinderella type evening.



The First Valentine



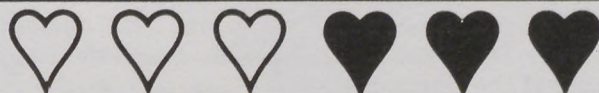
Historians call the Duc d'Orleans the father of the modern Valentine card. He sent the first Valentine card to his wife in 1415 when he was imprisoned in the Tower of London.

During the next four hundred years, Valentine cards were treated with much solemnity. It was necessary for the cards to be handmade and highly original. They were very formally presented with much

ceremony. Quite often the Valentine Card served as a proposal for marriage.

In 1848, the first popular Valentine cards were sold in the United States. Since then, Valentine cards have become so popular that more cards are exchanged on St. Valentine's Day than on any other day of the year.

Courtesy of Daylesford Abbey



Ms. Susan Livingston and her friends from Babyland II wish all the CLARION readers a "HEARTfelt" Happy Valentine's Day.

NC Manor Families

Happy New Year to all families and employees of NCC. May this year be blessed with prosperity and much success.

The tenants association at 225 Manor Families ended the old year with an exciting party for the little people of 225. We also would like to thank the children for not only making it a joyous occasion but also a complete success.

The tenant's association, with the Lord's blessing brought in the New Year with a gala get-together for

adults. I would like to thank Ms. Anne Lathen in whose home all of us were made welcome.

Last but not least I would like to take this time to welcome four new members to the tenants association, Beverly, Damutia, Gwen and Robin. Welcome, welcome. We look forward to working with all of you in the future.

Wishing the best for a better and brighter 1989.

Delores Johnson
Publicity Person

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She Sows Seeds Of Giving

One day before Christmas, a Newark Fireman and a member of the U.S. Marine Corps, distributed gifts at New Community's After School Program at Bruce Street and St. Rose School. Because no one wants leftover toys when there are children around who would love to play with them, the group made an unscheduled stop at the Essex County Family Violence Shelter.

"I didn't know that New Community (Babyland) had a shelter for battered women; my heart really hurt when I went into that place," said Catherine Crawford of NC Douglas, 15 Hill Street, who had arranged for the gifts.

Ms. Crawford was a Supervisor for the City of Newark until her retirement in April of 1987. In the early 70's, when she was in charge of Boylan Recreation Center on South Orange Avenue, she began giving Christmas Parties for children. Eventually, she branched out to various Community Centers. Newark's Department of Parks and Recreation picked up sponsorship of these events along with businesses and individuals.

Because she had lived in New Community for almost three years, and was so satisfied to be here, she decided "I'll fill in some of the spaces here...of people who need to be helped. I can tell Sharpe and them what I want, and they will join in and help along."

Therein lies a tale, "Sharpe and them," being local political leaders. Ms. Crawford's relationship with them goes way back to a time when they were all District Managers and not at all reticent about calling in favors from old friends in order to help someone else.

Ms. Crawford helped during Willie Brown's successful campaign for State Senate; Ronald Rice is "like (her) son," and Dave Garrett is currently being drawn into her ever widening orbit. (Dave was assistant to U.S. Representative Donald Payne when he was Councilman from Newark's South Ward.) He came to the appreciation dinner Ms. Crawford gave at 15 Hill after Thanksgiving, and later took care of the Christmas



Catherine Crawford

list of needy NC families which traveled from Social Services to Ms. Crawford, to Donald Payne.

Catherine Crawford enjoyed her days as District Leader. "You get to know a lot of people that way...a lot of nice people."

With her personality and outlook in life, Ms. Crawford would get to know "a lot of nice people" wherever she was and whatever she was doing, proving the principle "Like attracts like." She adopted Clarence Reed, the firefighter who was distributing toys; he and his wife were among her guests for Christmas dinner, and strong bonds are being formed among the three of them.

'89 promises to be a good year for Catherine Crawford and her 3,000 closest friends. "Everything was dark in '88," she says, referring to the deaths 5 days apart, of her daughter, Geraldine Wilson and her grandson, Nathaniel Mack. That happened little over a year after the death of her son Leon Crawford of NC Gardens Seniors. "Since I've had sickness and death I began to have time on my hands. I decided to let myself loose to get to know people and what they need."

Looking at Ms. Crawford's record one concludes that she's been "loose" for a long time, and many, many people are much the happier for it.

Sr. Mary Ellen

NC Gardens Seniors Make Community Happen

It is not by accident that guests always feel welcome at NC Gardens Seniors, 265 Morris Avenue. The tenant leadership, better known as "the 265 Club," a group of about 8 gracious hostesses who even have dress uniforms for state occasions, and the building's Sunshine Club habitually extend themselves in hospitality.

These remarkable people rise to every occasion. Perhaps the most appreciated service they render is welcoming mourners back after funeral services. When a resident of the building, or a family member of a resident passes, other residents extend their sympathy by opening their home and providing a lovingly prepared, graciously served meal for those left behind.

Edna Davis, President of the 265 Club says, "Gardens Seniors is our home. We are always here to support one another, especially in time of need. It gives us the opportunity to reach out and lend a helping hand at a time when it's most needed." What this would perceive to be a chore, these residents see as an opportunity others would perceive to be a chore,

Sam Farrar passed recently. A resident of 265, he had been New Community's much loved volunteer medical transportation driver for three years before his illness. Just as the hospitality group began making plans to receive his beloved family and friends, they received word that the son of another resident, Mamie Williamson passed, and his funeral would be the same day as Mr. Sam's. This remarkable group simply took in this information and added plans for dividing the community room to their day's agenda. Each group would have its own private place to relax and talk.

While all this was happening, a second resident, Mildred Irving, passed. For a while, logistics for three simultaneous funeral luncheons were explored, but Ms. Irving's family chose another day for her funeral.

These concerned residents are a good example of the NCC spirit in action. They don't stop at talking about community; they really outdo themselves to make it happen. Their efforts are always appreciated, but especially when the people they welcome are feeling so down.

Cupids Surround Ms. Perry



Good Morning America!



Future Stars of Good Morning America! The children of Babyland III made a special visit recently to their friends at NCC's Extended Care Facility and really brightened up the entire facility.

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For News Of Your Teams!

Beat The Hill Street Blues

Residents spent the month of January looking back over a wonderful holiday season. Cherished memories of Helen Vaughn and her giant ladder creating a Fairy Land on the Main Floor, Mable Kearney and Frank Brown transforming turkeys procured by Catherine Crawford, and other treats provided by the Tenants' Association into the basis of a gala holiday dinner, embellished by culinary contributions galore — specialties from every floor.

The Christmas Party was so good that it kept two santas (one big, one very little) busy, brought our favorite Security Officer, Elizabeth Griffiths back from vacation to join the fun. Even the legendary Mr. Pat Panda's was there!

Memories of all the Hill Street Elves, a.k.a. Floor Captains, scrambling to meet Sr. Mary Scott, Social Services Intern, and her sleigh full of presents for all...hurray!; and the happiness of being remembered with individual gifts.

The December Tenants' Meeting with manager Ms. Lemira Reese was especially exciting thanks to an ingenious raffle of percentages of the admission fee for DREAMGIRLS at Neil's New Yorker. Lucky Winners were Rev. Alfonso Carter, First Prize; Hattie Watson, Second Prize; and William Lewis, John Davis, and John

Wilson, Third Prizes.

At the same meeting, a representative of the new Broad Street Pharmacy, right around the corner, was present to familiarize residents with some of its services: seniors' discount, delivery service, money orders. It's almost the same as having a drug store right in the building!

The only sad note of the holiday season was the Lauren Bearcall, who made an unscheduled appearance at the Manager's Meeting as part of her promo tour, later decided to move in with Brookside Reid at Nc Associates.

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Security Corner

Errol Adams Is Assistant Director



Director James DuBose welcomes new Assistant Director Errol Adams to New Community's Security Department.

A new face is visible around the environs of New Community — that of Errol Adams, who has assumed the position of Assistant Director of Security, vacated recently by the retirement of Otis Rhynes.

Director Adams attended John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York City. He retired from the New York City Housing Authority Police Department in September after 23 years of service.

As a Housing Authority police officer he patrolled the South Bronx area policing city housing complexes

on foot and radio motor patrol.

He further represented his Commanding Officer as a Community Relations Officer. Part of his experience involved checking new applicants to the department, verifying background information such as education, previous employment, military records and a resident neighborhood check, to insure the best candidates.

Adams was subsequently promoted to the rank of Sergeant and performed Desk Officer duties, Patrol Sgt. and Administrative Sgt., with a sizable staff.

Officer Of The Month

Security Officer Crystal Tyson, has been selected Officer of the Month for January, 1989. Officer Tyson was chosen because of her loyalty and unselfish dedication to duty since becoming a member of the NCC Security Department in October, 1987. In addition, she is an extremely reliable individual who has maintained an above average attendance record and is seldom late in reporting for duty.

Always immaculately attired in her

After managing a beauty salon for several years, she decided to make a change. She had heard and read about the New Community Corporation and thought it would be a nice company to work for.

Officer Tyson readily admits that she likes working with people, and NCC offered her the unlimited opportunity to do just that, particularly working with the seniors at NC Associates, 180 South Orange Avenue, where she is assigned.



Assistant Director Errol Adams presents the Officer of the Month award to S/O Crystal Tyson as Sgt. Joseph Sweet looks on.

uniform, above average in height and stature, Officer Tyson possesses a command presence that would be a welcome asset to any military or para-military organization.

Officer Tyson was born in St. Petersburg, Florida. Her family moved to Paterson, New Jersey, when she was one year old. After graduating from high school, she moved to East Orange, New Jersey, where she still resides.

Officer Tyson states "we learn from one another, and it is an honor to work for New Community."

The Manager of NC Associates, Roslyn Cray, said of Officer Tyson, "she is a very hard working and dedicated security officer."

Officer Tyson was presented with a plaque from the NCC Security Department and the Katzin's Uniform Company of Newark, who are co-sponsors of the program.

Black History Notes

James Augustine Healy...First Black Catholic Bishop (1830-1900)

James Augustine Healy, the mulatto son of a Macon, Georgia planter and his household servant, was the first Black Catholic Bishop of African descent in the United States.

At an early age he was sent north to be educated, and in 1849, he graduated from Holy Cross College in Worcester, Massachusetts, with high honors.

The church, recognizing his ability, made him an assistant to the Papal

Throne, a rank just below that of a Cardinal.

For twenty-five years, Bishop Healy presided over the Diocese of Maine and New Hampshire. Under his leadership, sixty-eight mission stations were built and the number of Catholic communicants more than doubled.

Many Catholics in Massachusetts, Maine and New Hampshire came to revere the Bishop, whose career ended only after his death in 1900.

Reverend Augustus Folton — First Black Priest

Augustus Folton, the first black priest was ordained on Holy Saturday, April 24, 1886. On Easter Sunday in 1886, he offered Holy Mass on the High Altar at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, Italy. As a rule only the Pope himself offers Mass over the Tomb of St. Peter on the holiest of holy days in the Christian world.

A highly intelligent man, he easily mastered the Latin language and stringent theological requirements.

In the summer of 1886, he returned to Quincy, Illinois, where he had grown up, as the newly ordained Reverend Father Augustus Folton and was made a pastor of St. Joseph's Catholic Church for blacks in that city.

Father Folton was born in Rales County, Missouri. His mother had taken him to Illinois after escaping from slavery.

23 Blacks Awarded Medal Of Honor In Civil War

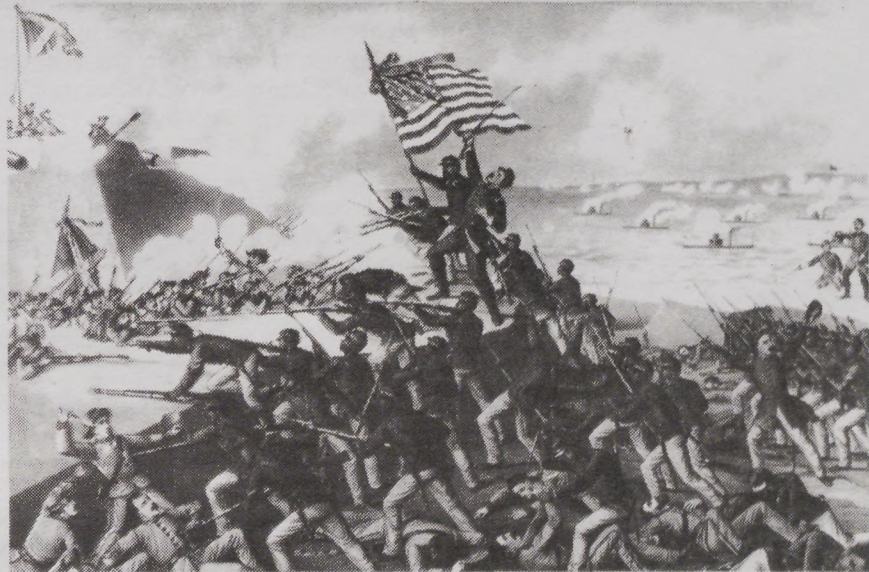
During the course of the Civil War twenty three blacks were awarded the nations highest award for bravery the Congressional Medal of Honor.

The first black recipient of the Medal of Honor was Sergeant William H. Carney, Company C, 54th all black Massachusetts Infantry.

In July 1963, the 54th Massachusetts Infantry was a part of the Union force besieging Fort Wagner, South Carolina. On July 18th, the assault began. When the

Massachusetts black infantry regiments. The 54th was not long in the field before it proved itself gallant and strong, worthy to rank with the most courageous of its white companions in arms. Two of Frederick Douglass' sons, Charles and Lewis, were the first in the state of New York to enlist.

Because there were fewer black people in Massachusetts then, it was necessary for him to recruit men from Northern states to fill the quota need-



STORMING FORT WAGNER

unit's color bearer was shot, Sergeant Carney grabbed the flag before it could hit the ground. He moved to the front of the column and lead the advance to the walls of the front under intense musketry and cannon fire. Finding himself alone among wounded and dying soldiers, Carney returned to Union lines, being wounded twice, but not giving up the flag.

Sergeant Carney was one of the many black volunteers recruited by the great Frederick Douglass that made up the 54th and 55th

ed for the two regiments.

They (his two sons) were also, in the assault on Fort Wagner, in which the 54th was so fiercely cut into pieces, and lost nearly half its officers, including its white beloved and trusted commander, Col. Shaw a famous abolitionist, while leading the charge at Fort Wagner.

The Burcan of colored troops was established by the War Department on May 22, 1863. The assault on Fort Wagner by the all black 54th Infantry was to prove their bravery.

Phoebe Fraunces Saved Washington's Life

Phoebe Fraunces, was the daughter of "Black Sam" Fraunces, a black West Indian at whose tavern in New York City, Washington and his officers used to eat, and where most of their revolutionary plans were discussed.

In 1776, the British, hoping to head off the Revolution, tried to poison Washington. Their agent was Thomas Hickey, and Irishman, who had won Washington's confidence, and had been made his body guard.

Hickey began by winning Phoebe's heart, then gave Phoebe, who used to wait on Washington, a dish of poisoned peas to serve him. Phoebe, despite her love for Hickey, warned Washington, who threw the peas into the yard. Chickens there, picked them up and fell dead. Hickey was hanged before a crowd of 20,000 in New York City. Had Washington, the soul of the Revolution, died then, American might not have been free. **Researched by James E. DuBose**

At Your (Social) Service

by the Staff of NCC Social Services Department

Old Help Young In King's Name

"From sun up to sun down, try to see each person as a brother or sister. Look for ways in which we are similar, not different." These were words recited by Mildred Rivera of the NCC Youth Choir at the Sixth Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Fund Dinner. The New Community Associates under leadership of Sr. Kathleen Coll sponsored the event, and the festivities began at 6:00 p.m. that January 12 evening. Doris Crenshaw and Sadie Barber of-

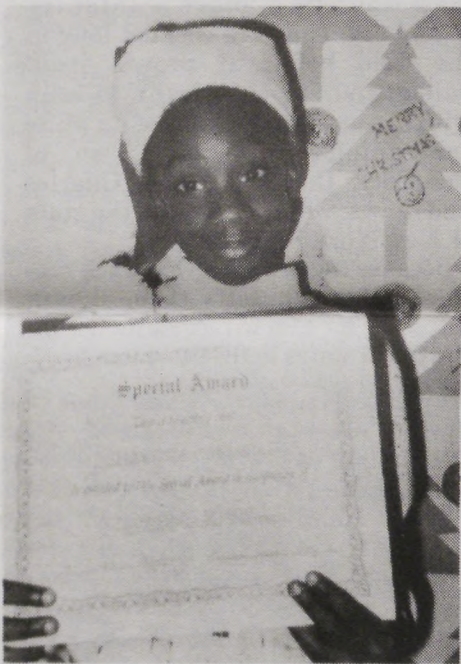
fered greetings and the invocation respectively, followed by dinner which lasted until about seven o'clock. Seven volunteers from the Youth Department helped served the meal, and soon those in attendance settled in for the remaining parts of the program.

The Gospel Chorus composed of residents of the 180 South Orange Avenue building performed some selections and their fine music was followed by the guest speaker Most



Youth Development Coordinator Eladio Negron accepts the scholarship fund contribution from Mrs. Phyllis Burton, Secretary of the Senior Advisory Board.

January Student Of The Month



Shakeita Holden - January Student of the Month

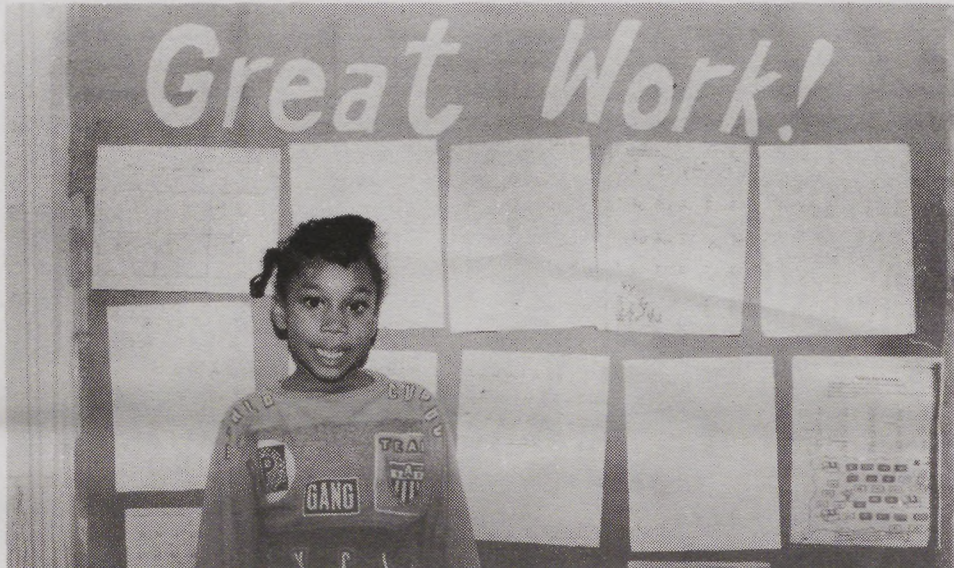
Rev. Joseph Francis, S.V.D. and his touching words honoring the late Dr. King. Next came the NCC Youth Choir and their recitation of a poem about Dr. King, some of which introduces this article. The choirs' singing plus Randy Smith's recitation of Dr. King's "I have a dream" speech provided the background for the poem, and all the youths involved did a nice job.

Mrs. Phyllis Burton then presented the Scholarship Fund contribution to Mr. Eladio Negron, Youth Development Coordinator, which was a sum of \$620.00. Mr. Negron was quite pleased and quite honored by such an extension of care from the residents of New Community Associates.

Before long, the closing to the program was upon all and the Scholarship Dinner was over. Thanks to such generous works of people like those at 180 South Orange Avenue, we might just be able to make the dreams of the great Dr. King come true.

Scott Santarosa

February's Outstanding Student



Taneshah Hudson proudly poses in front of some schoolwork as February's Student of the Month.

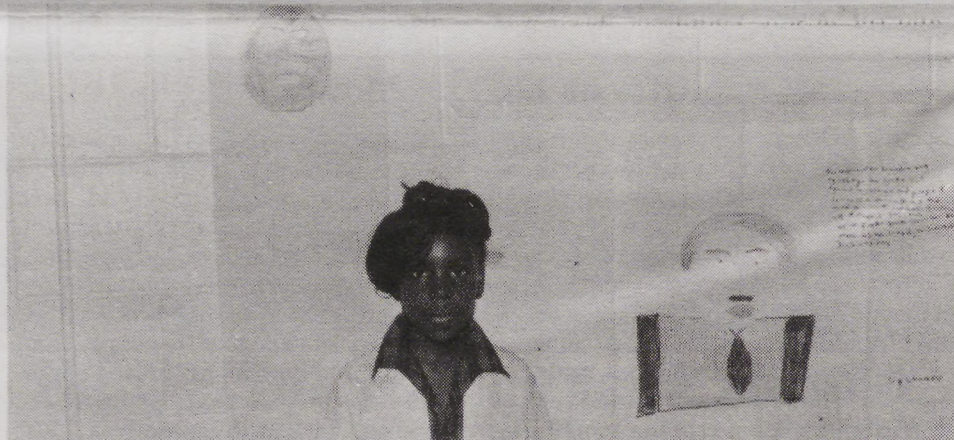
Bang! And she's off!!!!...off to a flying start in 1989, that is. The "she" is Taneshah Hudson, and her work in January has merited her the Outstanding Student Award for the NCC After School Program at 220 Bruce Street.

Taneshah is a second grader in Mrs. Noel's class at Newton Street School. Taneshah consistently comes to the program with two to six sheets of homework to be completed, and she consistently leaves the program with those pages thoroughly finished and checked. Mrs. Bertha Brown, Taneshah's after school tutor adds, "She sits there until she finishes, and she doesn't need much of my help."

January has not been the only month that Taneshah has worked this hard; the holidays didn't phase her in her eagerness to do her homework. Plus, once she has completed her work Taneshah is easy to have participate in recreational activities. "She follows directions well, and is quite attentive," adds Scott Santarosa, After School Coordinator. "She has a terrific attitude and seems to really enjoy the program. She seems to benefit from the tutoring and individual attention, and our program benefits from her enthusiasm."

Great work, Taneshah — keep up your good spirit and drive throughout 1989!

Young Artists Honor Dr. King



Channell Brown stands between two of her wonderful posters celebrating the life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King.

"Why don't we have a Martin Luther King Poster Contest?" Robia Taylor asked. Soon, many of the 220 Bruce Street After School kids were busy making posters with pictures and works of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., in honor of his birthday on January 15.

The Social Services Staff helped too by offering some small candy awards to be used as prizes for the competition. It wasn't long before the week-long contest came to a close; with a

wall of the youth services recreation room proudly displaying brightly-colored words such as "I have a dream," and carefully drawn portraits of the late civil rights leader.

Nine year old Channell Brown combined some of Dr. King's famous words with her artistic skills to win the contest, but really all who honored Dr. King with their artistic efforts were winners.

Youths Take Charge

All young people of New Community take notice! The Youth Council is getting back on its feet again and soon will be taking the world by storm. But, they need you to help them!

They have met once and soon will be electing new officers. They have loads of ideas for activities — Gong shows, trips and plans for setting up a well-stocked youth lounge.

So, don't miss out on the excitement — all youths are welcome! You can be a part of this moving force!

Youth Council meets at the recreation room beneath Social Services at 220 Bruce Street. Keep your eyes peeled for posters and flyers announcing their red-hot meetings and innovative events!

Senior February Calendar

Feb. 6 — Chinese New Year - 4687 A.D.

Feb. 8 — Ash Wednesday; Food Stamp Representative will be at NC Commons, 140 So. Orange Ave. at 9:00 a.m. and a representative will be at NC Associates, 180 So. Orange at 10:00 a.m. to do updates and new clients.

Feb. 10 — 10:00 a.m. Food Stamp Representative at NC Manor, 545 Orange Street; Bus Ride to Atlantic City. Tickets only \$6.00. You receive \$8.00 in tokens for Atlantis Casino.

Feb. 11 — Trip to Village Gate Theatre NYC to see **Black Moses**; \$11.00 seniors, \$17.00 all others.

Feb. 12 — Lincoln's Birthday

Feb. 14 — Valentine's Day; 12:00 noon Senior Advisory Board Meeting at NC Roseville

Feb. 20 — President's Day Holiday

Feb. 22 — Food Stamp Rep. will be at 15 Hill Street at 9:00 a.m.

Feb. 27 — Brown Bag Day

March 10 — NC Kings and Queens Black and White Ball at St. Rose of Lima School 6-9 p.m. Tickets \$3.00 for NC Seniors and \$5.00 all others. **Dress in Black & White.**

Quote of the Month! "Cheerfulness is the atmosphere in which all things thrive."

Reminders

•Shopping Schedules

Every Tuesday — 8:30 - NC Roseville; 8:30 - NC Manor; 9:00 - NC Gardens.

Every Wednesday — 9:00 - NC Douglas; 9:30 - Douglass-Harrison.

Every Thursday — 8:30 - NC Associates; 9:00 - NC Commons.

•Seniors Summer Camp

A. Camp Tecumseh, Pittstown, N.J. 7 nights and 20 meals \$110.00. \$25.00 deposit needed by March 10, 1989 to reserve space.

B. Camp Ladore, Pennsylvania. 7 nights and 20 meals \$180.00 + \$5 extra transportation. \$25.00 deposit needed by February 10, 1989 to reserve space.

•Ceramics Classes

Held every Tuesday 1-3 p.m. at NC Manor and every Thursday 1-3 p.m. at NC Associates.

For trip ticket and class information contact Ms. Cook, NC Manor, 545 Orange Street, 623-6299.

•Complete Eye Examination

Feb. 15 — NC Gardens - 9-12 p.m.

Feb. 28 — NC Associates - 9-12 p.m.

March 15 — NC Douglas - 9-12 p.m.

March 23 — NC Commons - 9-12 p.m.

March 30 — NC Roseville - 9-12 p.m.

What You Don't See Is What You Get

Strains of AULD LANG SYNE are still hanging in the air when some people begin thinking of Annual Reports. After the inevitable announcement, I began reflecting on 1988.

It is amazing what does not show up on formal reports. Sometimes what is not said is more significant than what is.

The NC Social Services Department was reorganized and re-reorganized in 1988; from the outside and from within. Externally, we were given a new slot in New Community's organizational chart and several departments which had grown to maturity under the auspices of Social Services — Homemaker/Home Health Services, Home Friends, Youth — were cut loose. "The kids grew up and went to work," Sr. Joan Spingler of Douglass-Harrison commented.

Sr. Veronica Kaiser who had been serving at NC Associates and NC Commons Seniors for three years returned to her native Philadelphia in August. Sr. Kathleen Coll relinquished her beloved Roseville and Douglas to replace Sr. Veronica because the nutrition programs housed in Associates and Commons are too complicated to be assumed by a neophyte.

Lorraine Woolridge, Social Services Provider for Families added Douglas to her repertoire and Joyce Cook of NC Manor Seniors, Senior Programs Coordinator, and supervisor of the food concessions in all six seniors buildings assumed responsibility for Social Services at Roseville.

The 754 unit NC Douglass-Harrison welcomed Sr. Catherine Wallace to its Social Services Staff, and the Jesuit Volunteer torch was passed from Thom Mannard, who returned to Chicago, to Scott Santarosa who arrived from Sacramento. Mowbrey McKinley-Green relocated to St. Joseph Plaza because her work spans several phases of newly formed Human Resources.

Our response to needs outside

Social Services spoke volumes about the calibre of this remarkable staff. When New Beginnings Health Spa needed a temporary manager, Joyce Cook, who was already wearing several hats, put on a sweat suit and filled in...for four months. Sr. Mary Ellen Bennett, Social Services Provider for Families filled in at the Family Violence Shelter for the four months they were between Directors. Joyce's and Sr. Mary Ellen's flexibility is admirable. The resilience of those who give their colleagues the power to be flexible by covering their duties is awesome.

No sooner had Sr. Mary Ellen returned to work with the residents of Families Housing than Lorraine Woolridge, who had been holding the fort on her own, went on sick leave. (Ms. Woolridge later resigned for reasons of health and is sorely missed).

We withstood two surgical procedures and (no connection) celebrated two weddings complete with showers and honeymoons. It won't be easy to forget Mowbrey's shower, which really was. By the time it was over two punch bowls were on the casualty list!

All this, and Social Services never missed a beat nor an opportunity to extend itself in services to the larger network. And...we never complained. (Well, hardly ever!)

1988, the Year of The Dragon, reorganized Social Services in much the same way dragons of old reorganized medieval villages. We are waiting to see what 1989, The Year of The Snake, will bring!

Read our report — twelve pages describing 1988's activity: programs developed, grants applied for and received, people served. Now you know there's more to it than meets the eye. That's the part — the adopting, expanding, and networking in the interest of so many people — that is the real beauty of Social Services, and a true embodiment of the New Community philosophy.

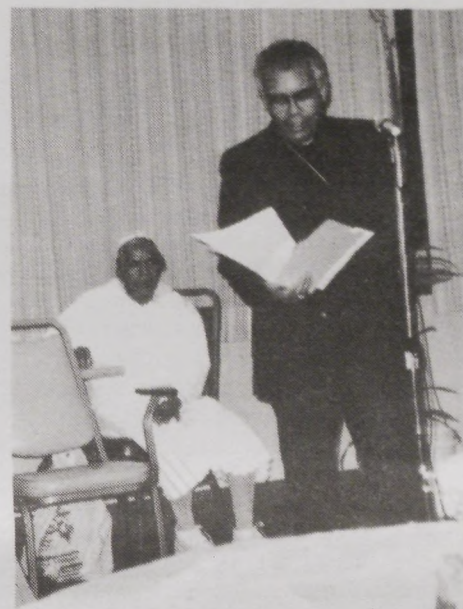
Joyce Cook

Together For Fun And Fundraising

The Annual Martin Luther King Scholarship Fund Dinner is an event that demonstrates the concern for others that makes New Community what it is. Sponsored by the Senior Advisory Board, this fund-raiser event links the seniors and the youth through a sharing and caring endeavor. This year it was a clear representation of the network of youth, families, seniors, and St. Rose School. As speakers, supporters and servers they were there and the community was visible.

Hosting the project this year, NCC Associates presented a check for five hundred twenty-five dollars to Eladio Negron on behalf of the NCC Youth Council. A final tally brought the total to six hundred twenty dollars, boosted by 140 Club and 140 Gospel Chorus donations.

It was a special evening. The hall was full. The program was the best. The 180 Gospel Chorus accompanied by Mother Lawrence gave a joyful and spirited performance which drew many to join in. Bishop Joseph Francis, S.V.D. gave an inspiring and motivating presentation on Dr. Martin Luther King, inviting and encouraging the development of leadership qualities. Jo-Ann Mays, graduate of the Leadership Institute and gold medalist for this year's class, gave an energetic and enthusiastic message on leadership and example. Also part of the program, the Youth



Mother Lawrence listens attentively as Bishop Joseph Francis speaks at the Martin Luther King Scholarship Dinner.

Group ably performed a skit emphasizing the qualities of Martin Luther King and their desire to be like him.

Some of the Youth Group acted as hostesses, assisting the seniors and social services personnel who volunteered their services to this worthwhile event. All in all, it was a community affair and it was delightful as well as functional.

Sr. Kay Coll



Youth worker Yolanda Curry (left) of the After School Program directs the Youth Group in a skit about Dr. Martin Luther King at the scholarship dinner.

Camping Anyone?

It is now time to start planning that Summer Camp trip. Come on shake out the suitcases, clean up the fishing rods and check out the shorts!

This year there will be two choices so plan ahead.

The Salvation Army Camp at "Camp Tecumseh" in Pittstown, NJ has been an annual favorite for quite some time. The cost is \$110.00 for 7 nights and 20 meals. The available week is July 19th to 25th. A \$25.00 deposit is due by **March 10**. There are a variety of daily activities such as swimming, arts and crafts, shopping, etc. Camp Tecumseh is also wheel chair accessible and there is plenty of fishing available.

New for this year is a beautiful and large site called "Camp Ladore" located in Pennsylvania. The cost is \$180.00. This includes 7 nights and 20 meals. The housing is similar to a motel with twin beds, 2 per room and private baths. A 265 foot lake provides plenty of fishing; they also offer a country fair. Each group will be asked to be prepared to participate in a talent skit. You can enjoy ceramics, arts and crafts, auctions, a birthday party, shopping and much more. The available weeks are July 31st to August 7th or August 28 to September 4th.

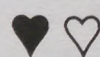
A \$20.00 deposit is due by **February 10th**.

Space is filling up quickly; please get reservations and deposits to

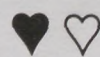
Joyce Cook NC Manor Senior, 545 Orange Street, Newark, NJ 07107 (623-6299) as soon as possible.

Transportation to the camp will be provided. For the Pennsylvania Camp we must have group of 12 or more and include an extra \$5.00 for transportation cost.

Joyce Cook



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St. Rose Basketball Team



St. Rose of Lima Basketball Team members are: (seated) Katrina Williams, Yusef Williams, Jewell Gillette, Renaldo Jackman, Traci Sims, Mark Taylor and (standing) Chris Waters, Henry Watson, Kamid Byrd, Dale Ellis, Shekeka Williams, Kioni West and Kaseem Fuller.

A Douglass-Harrison Angel

Carla Robinson, a young, happy, unselfish woman who lives at Douglass-Harrison Apartments made Christmas a real celebration for some of her neighbors. She opened her heart and pocketbook to some of our senior citizens who had no one to prepare a dinner for them. She delivered everything from soup to nuts to five men and two women.

Carla also reached out to other needy folks. She prepared soup and goodies and delivered them to our street people.

Thank you Carla on behalf of Douglass-Harrison and all those you reached out to.

Douglass-Harrison had its first Christmas Open House for their Seniors. All were invited to come from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 22nd. Everyone was served coffee, tea, or hot chocolate along with hot apple pie. The seniors also received a little gift as they left.

All who attended seemed to enjoy the happy friendly atmosphere.

Sr. Catherine deLourdes Wallace

The Legacy Of Anger

Anger is a strong feeling of displeasure and antagonism often with an evident display accompanied by loss of self-control. Of all the traits and emotions few have so affected the course of man's life as anger. The Holy Bible makes at least four hundred and eighty-four references to it, while Shakespeare makes at least fifty-nine. In the very first book of the Old Testament, Genesis, when God showed that He was not pleased that Cain had not made an offering with life, Cain, instead of being sorry and asking God to forgive him, was angry with God and his brother, Abel, and struck Abel killing him. This was the first instance biblically recorded of anger that resulted in mankind's first murder, fratricide. In one of the first clashes in history between temporal and spiritual power, anger caused the prophet, Samuel, to hack to death Agag, a captured king of the Amalekites. In anger, Moses killed the Egyptian, fled and went into hiding for forty years.

Anger blocks sound thinking, prevents coping intelligently with the situation or problem at hand, strains and pressures relationships and polarizes the positions of those involved in such a manner as to rent irreversible previous temperaments and attitudes. It has caused the break-up of homes, the separation of its members, and the abuse of its children. Where anger reigns, logical thought abdicates. Anger may be the extreme response to stress brought on by worry about housing, employment, debt, or personal relations. In some situations husband and wife may perceive one another in an unacceptable way, are unwilling to revise it,

so they resort to anger and physical punishment as a way to deal with it. An individual may never have learned how to use his intelligence to cope with problems instead of anger. To some extent this may depend on how he was raised, thus a vicious circle exists where the children may carry on their heritage bequeathing to society and teachers the onerous continual task of coping with the residue. Perpetuating their parents' behavior, which they experienced, they may suffer from a delusional psychosis making those near them vicinal victims. The aggressive sociopaths, with low boiling points, are generally not articulate, but react with impulsive rage beyond their present control failing to consider the results of their anger to the recipient and to themselves. The media abounds with accounts of those possessed with anger.

Rather than retaliate to anger in kind, one might turn to the Bible for alternatives and direction, for when anger is thus ventilated with biblical advice one is able to stay calm; maintain an attitude that softens the tension; express oneself unemotionally; calmly talk out the problem in a non-threatening way; and prevent further escalation which might manifest into greater harm. Psalm 37:8 tells us to, "cease from anger, forsake wrath for it only causes harm." We do well to heed this advice for courts, hospitals, cemeteries, and jails bear testimony to its antithesis. "Anger is sin." and "the wages of sin is death..." — the legacy of anger.

Lewis Graves
Springfield Branch
Newark Public Library

Teenage Parent And Child Center Wins Praise

Each weekday over forty teenage mothers go off to their respective high schools to receive the education which will enable them to support the children they now have or will soon give birth to. After school the mothers all head to Babyland Nursery for Head Start programs geared to their individual needs or to the group as a whole. The day care provided by Babyland allows them to finish high school while gaining support leading to independence. Twenty-five young women in the program presently are mothers and fifteen are pregnant.

The teenagers readily admit they would never be able to be in high school without their baby in the Babyland program, which is already overfilled. According to the vice-principal of West Side High School figures reveal that of 800 girls in Newark high schools 400 have children, so the problem is enormous.

Home visits provide some insight into needs of both mother and child which are addressed by Babyland workers.

When the workers began to bring in clothing for the teenagers and their



Social Worker Denise Baskerville (second on left) and some of the participants in the Headstart program for teenage mothers gathered recently for a party at Babyland I.

On Monday and Wednesday the group meets as a unit while on Tuesday and Thursday the teenagers receive individual counseling or talks on nutrition, child abuse, self-esteem, motivation or goal setting. On Friday there is individual needs assessment.

At a recent UMDNJ workshop one of the girls was asked where her main support was coming from now that she had her baby, said Sister Clare Elton, director of the program, to which she replied "Only this program." Jackie, one of the girls, came up the stairs recently saying to Sister "This is the best part of my day." When Sister looked skeptical, she declared seriously, "no kiddin'."

Parents often put the teenager out of the house to fend for herself when they find she is pregnant; such behavior is not acceptable to them. However, with the dearth of affordable housing that usually sends the girl back to the father of the child for help which results in more pregnancies. A group home might help solve that part of the problem and is being contemplated.

babies, the mothers began to ask why. The mothers then began to bring in baby clothes their own children had outgrown for one another and to support one another in other ways.

The day this writer was there much excitement was in the air, for someone had donated an entire crib, still boxed, to the program. It was immediately noted on the "In Kind" list. Each Headstart contribution must be matched by a donation of equal value, hence the name "in kind." Money is quite acceptable but articles such as cribs, playpens, toys, etc. are also needed.

Volunteers to assist in the nursery 1 or 2 days a week would be great also, said Sister.

The most desperate need is for a secretary with her own typewriter, so if you are retired and would like to keep up those secretarial skills, here's your chance.

Sister Clare Elton can be reached at 399-3400 if you would like to offer help in any form to the program.

Babyland IV Progressing

Renovations are coming along at the Parent Child Extension Center for infants exposed to the HIV virus. Telephones are being put in and plumbing is in its final stages.

The Junior League of Montclair/Newark's provisional class has picked The Parent Child Extension Center as a provisional project. The provisional class members will assist in furnishing the soon to be opened center and prepare marketing materials for its ongoing fundraising efforts.

The program at the center will start with ten children referred from the

Children's Hospital AIDS Program and expand gradually.

More volunteers from the community are needed and will be trained by the coordinators to handle jobs such as receptionist, housekeeping, caregivers, or even just reading to the little ones and doing laundry. Anyone with a couple of hours a day to a whole day to spare will be welcomed heartily.

We'll keep you posted on our progress. If you can help in any way please call Sister Clare Elton at Babyland, 399-3400.



Above: The Parent and Child Center, also known as Babyland IV, is nearing completion.

Right: Mural painter Rebecca Krueger (left) shares sketches for Babyland IV with Sr. Mary Lou Madden and Sr. Suzanne Janis as other Junior League of Montclair/Newark volunteers Corey Otoshi and Julie Young look on.

Secretarial Volunteer Needed

Do you have secretarial skills which you can donate to a Babyland program?

Are you a **retiree** but **goodie**?

Sister Clare Elton could use your help.

Call her to volunteer or for information at 399-3400

